# BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY BENTON, LOUISIANA

#### **MINUTES**

March 2, 2016

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The Bossier Parish Police Jury met in regular and legal session on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, Benton, Louisiana. The President, Ms. Wanda Bennett, called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Jerome Darby, and the pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Jack Skaggs. The Parish Secretary, Ms. Rachel Hauser, called the roll, with all members present, as follows:

> Mr. Rick Avery Mr. Jerome Darby Ms. Wanda Bennett Mr. Wayne Hammack Mr. Glenn Benton Mr. Mac Plummer Mr. Bob Brotherton Mr. Doug Rimmer Mr. Jimmy Cochran Mr. Fred Shewmake Mr. Sonny Cook Mr. Jack Skaggs

Others present were Mr. Joe E. "Butch" Ford, Jr., Parish Engineer; Ms. Rachel Hauser, Parish Secretary.

Mr. Loie Bazer, President of Magnolia Chase Subdivision Homeowners Association, was present. He stated that he will be serving as President of the homeowners association for the 2016 term. He expressed appreciation to the police jury for their dedication and work for Bossier Parish.

Mr. Bazer stated that in 2009, Magnolia Chase Subdivision Homeowners Association requested and received assistance from the police jury with drainage issues in the subdivision. He stated that the catch basins currently remain approximately three-quarters full of water, and need to be cleared of trash on a regular basis to ensure proper drainage.

Mr. Bazer stated that the two-year maintenance bond for Magnolia Chase Subdivision, Unit No. 4, expires in March of 2016. He stated that the developer has failed to install street signs and street lights as required by parish subdivision regulations, and stated that there are several busted and broken street curbs. He further stated that pea gravel concrete was used in some areas of the subdivision, which is prohibited.

Mr. Bazer stated that the developer, architect and engineer of Magnolia Chase Subdivision failed to follow rules and regulations as set forth by the police jury when developing the subdivision.

Mr. Bazer stated that there are approximately four to five street light poles in Magnolia Chase Subdivision that are not functioning. He stated that AEP Swepco did not approve the positioning or electrical work of the light poles. He further stated that wiring for the light poles was not placed in provided easements for utilities, and were run directly to electrical boxes. Mr. Bazer stated that by running electrical lines directly to electrical boxes, electrical lines have been cut when homes are developed causing several street lights to not function.

Mr. Bazer stated that the developer of Magnolia Chase Subdivision, Unit No. 1, has filed bankruptcy, and the homeowners association will have to bear the costs to address any issues with streets and street lights.

Mr. Bazer recommended that the developer, architect and engineer responsible for these violations in Magnolia Chase Subdivision be prohibited from doing any further work in Bossier Parish until such time that they have addressed and corrected all violations in Magnolia Chase Subdivision.

Mr. Bazer also recommended that a checklist be required for each development prior to the police jury accepting any streets and drainage in a subdivision to prevent developers from violating parish regulations.

Mr. Ford stated that Magnolia Chase Subdivision was designed by Mr. Joey French, and the new developer of the subdivision is Mr. J.D. Gill. He stated that upon inspecting Magnolia Chase Subdivision, he found that several street signs are missing, including stop signs. He further stated that parish regulations require streets lights at all intersections, but only yard lights have been installed. Mr. Ford stated that a meeting has been scheduled with AEP Swepco to determine why street lights were not installed.

Mr. Ford stated that a two-year maintenance bond for streets and drainage is in place and recommends that the maintenance bond be called to pay for the installation of street lights. He stated that the developer has been put on notice that street signs must be installed, but has failed to do so.

Mr. Ford stated that in the future, acceptance of streets and drainage will need to be postponed until all utilities have been installed, including streetlights, or a separate bond be required for street lights.

Mr. Avery recommended that Mr. Gill be contacted immediately to install all required street signs and street lights, and that a hold be placed on all building permits requested by Mr. Gill until all issues in Magnolia Chase Subdivision have been resolved.

Mr. Ford stated that parish regulations need to be amended to include a requirement that all utilities be installed prior to the police jury accepting streets and drainage in subdivisions.

Ms. Martha McGee, Chairman of the Joe Delaney Memorial Park, extended appreciation to the police jury for its assistance with the park. She stated that Phase I will be complete in the next few months, and Phase II will begin soon. Ms. McGee presented a request for in-kind services from the police jury for construction of a 52-space gravel parking lot for the Joe Delaney Memorial Park.

Ms. McGee stated that the estimated cost of rock for the parking lot is \$55,000 and equipment and labor is approximately \$30,000. She requested that the police jury provide in-kind services in the form of equipment and labor for the parking lot. Ms. McGee stated that funds are in place to complete the park, including playground equipment and a fence around the park.

Mr. Ford stated that he estimates a time of two weeks to complete the parking lot for the park.

Ms. McGee stated that a grand opening for the park is planned for June 29, 2016. Mr. Brotherton stated that the June 29<sup>th</sup> date of the planned grand opening is the anniversary date of Mr. Delaney's death in 1983 while attempting to rescue three children from drowning.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to amend the agenda to consider a request from the Town of Haughton for in-kind services needed for construction of a parking lot for the Joe Delaney Memorial Park.

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The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Darby, Mr.

Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

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Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to approve a request from the Town of Haughton for in-kind services needed for construction of a parking lot for the Joe Delaney Memorial Park.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Hauser announced the public hearing to consider the application of Haughton Vision to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a .964-acre tract of land located on the south side of Highway 80 across from Tall Timbers Boulevard, in Section 14, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-1, Commercial Office Business District, for an optometry office. The application received a favorable recommendation from the Bossier City-Parish MPC.

Ms. Ashley Elliot, Haughton Vision, was present.

Motion was made by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to approve the application of Haughton Vision to the Bossier City-Parish Metropolitan Planning Commission for a zoning amendment to change the zoning classification of a .964-acre tract of land located on the south side of Highway 80 across from Tall Timbers Boulevard, in Section 14, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-1, Commercial Office Business District, for an optometry office.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

### ORDINANCE NO. 4597

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND BOSSIER PARISH ORDINANCE NO. 3908 OF 2003, WHICH ADOPTED A UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE BOSSIER CITY-PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PARISH OF BOSSIER, LOUISIANA, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A .964-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF HIGHWAY 80 ACROSS FROM TALL TIMBERS BOULEVARD, IN SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, BOSSIER PARISH, LA, FROM R-A, RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT, TO B-1, COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUSINESS DISTRICT, FOR AN OPTOMETRY OFFICE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, that Ordinance No. 3908 of 2003 (Unified Development Code) of the Police Jury of Bossier Parish, is hereby amended to change the zoning classification of a .964-acre tract of land located on the south side of Highway 80 across from Tall Timbers Boulevard, in Section 14, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA, from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District, to B-1, Commercial Office Business District, for an optometry office, being more particularly described as follows:

Tract "A" commencing at a found 2 inch iron pipe being the northwest corner of Section 14, Township 18 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, measure south 00 degrees 02' 59" east a distance of 252.93 feet to the south right-of-way of U.S. Highway 80; thence south 39 degrees 15' 33" east along said right-of-way, a distance of 878.83 feet to a found ¾ inch iron pipe and the point of beginning of Tract "A"; thence continue along said right-of-way south 89 degrees 15' 33" east, a distance of 140.00 feet to a found ¾ inch iron pipe at the northeast corner; thence leaving said right-of-way measure south 00 degrees 03' 12" west a distance of 300.02 feet to a set ½ inch iron rod at the southeast corner, thence north 89 degrees 15' 33" west a distance of 140.00 feet to a set ½ inch iron rod at the southwest corner, thence north 00 degrees 03' 33" east a distance of 300.02 feet to the northwest corner and the point of beginning. Said tract, subject to any servitudes, right-of-ways and easements of record containing 0.964 acres.

Applicant: Haughton Vision Purpose: Optometry office

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Benton, seconded by Mr. Brotherton. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER PARISH SECRETARY WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to schedule a public hearing on April 6, 2016, to consider the plat of the proposed development of Ranchtown Subdivision, Unit No. 2, being a resubdivision of Lots 1, 2, and 3, Ranchtown Subdivision, located in Sections 10 and 11, Township 16 North, Range 12 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Avery, seconded by Mr. Shewmake, to schedule a public hearing on April 6, 2016, to consider abandonment of Lots 1-16 and Lots 18-107, Rosedale Park Subdivision, located in Section 33, Township 19 North, Range 13 West, Bossier Parish, LA.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Hauser announced the hearing to consider an emergency condemnation of property located at 205 Queen Street, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 149555. Mr. David Ghormley, Property Standards Officer, presented current photographs of the property advising that the home at 205 Queen Street has been abandoned with an above ground swimming pool located in the back yard. He stated that letters have been sent to the registered property owner, but there has been no response.

Mr. Ghormley stated that fencing around the abandoned pool is not secure and presents a health and safety threat to the community. He further stated that the abandoned pool does provide a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other vermin.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Brotherton, to proceed with an emergency condemnation of property located at 205 Queen Street, Haughton, LA, Tax Assessment No. 149555, in accordance with property standards regulations.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Rimmer, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, reported on a meeting of that committee, advising that he, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, and Mr. Shewmake were present. He stated that Mr. Jason Weinland, Mr. Pat Culverhouse, Ms. Rainah Norton, Ms. Lisa Larkin, Mr. Jim Firth, and Mr. Jim Kent were also present. Other jurors present were Ms. Bennett, Mr. Hammack, Mr. Darby, and Mr. Plummer.

Mr. Rimmer stated that the Insurance Committee will be meeting quarterly.

Mr. Jason Weinland, Jweinland Group Benefits, expressed appreciation to the police jury for the opportunity to manage the health and dental insurance. He stated that his company evaluated information provided to them pertaining to past health and dental insurance for the police jury, and have made recommendations based on the information provided that would best serve the police jury with cost savings and benefit enhancement. He further stated that he has provided cost projections for the current year and for the year 2017.

Mr. Weinland stated that the funding arrangement has been revised to be more beneficial from a cash flow perspective for the Parish of Bossier. He stated that new trends are being analyzed and recommendations will be made throughout the year.

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Mr. Keith Miner, 3205 Trailview Circle, Haughton, LA, presented three quotes from contractors to repair the retaining wall located behind his home. He stated that all three contractors advised against the use of riprap, and recommended that the retaining wall be replaced. He further stated that all three quotes include accessing his property and repairing any damage made during the project.

Mr. Ford stated that the existing retaining wall located behind Mr. Miner's home is rotten and decayed. He stated that riprap would not resolve the issues of the failing retaining wall. Ms. Bennett asked if the developer of Dogwood Subdivision would be willing to assist with repairs to the retaining wall. Mr. Ford stated that the parish owns a drainage ditch located behind Mr. Miner's property and recently made repairs to the ditch. He stated that it is not likely that the developer would be willing to assist in any way to repair the retaining wall.

Mr. Ford stated that he requested Mr. Miner to obtain three proposals to present to the police jury for consideration. He stated that he recommends that a contractor be hired to replace the retaining wall. He further stated that the parish will be required to access the drainage ditch for future repairs, and it is less likely that the parish will be responsible for any damage to a new retaining wall.

Mr. Ford stated that Mr. Miner will be required to execute a release stating that the Parish of Bossier is released from any future damage to the retaining wall.

Mr. Rimmer stated that the retaining wall appeared to be intact prior to the parish making repairs to the drainage ditch behind Mr. Miner's home. He stated that it appears that an oak tree fell prematurely due to the parish's improvements to the drainage ditch and caused damage to the retaining wall.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to approve an expenditure of funds in an amount up to \$12,950.00 to replace the retaining wall located behind 3205 Trailview Circle, Haughton, LA, and to authorize execution of documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, that Wanda Bennett, President, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Bossier Parish Police Jury, any and all documents in connection with repairs to a retaining wall located at 3205 Trailview Circle, Haughton, LA.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this  $2^{nd}$  day of March, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER PARISH SECRETARY WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Ms. Hauser announced the police jury's intention to hold a public meeting on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., at the Police Jury Meeting Room, Bossier Parish Courthouse, 204 Burt Boulevard, Benton, Louisiana, to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election in the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of ad valorem taxes.

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Mr. Jim Kent, Bossier Parish Police Jury Accountant, presented a request to exercise a one year extension for the Fiscal Agent and Depository Bank Contract with First Guaranty Bank as contained in the accepted proposal on April 2, 2014. He stated that First Guaranty Bank has provided excellent service to the Parish of Bossier as Fiscal Agent.

Mr. Kent stated that in 2013, the previous Fiscal Agent provided a \$16,508.00 investment yield, and in 2015 the Parish of Bossier received an investment yield in the amount of \$53,473.00 with First Guaranty Bank. He stated that

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interest received on the master account for 2013 was \$3,939.00, and for 2015 the total interest received on the master account with First Guaranty Bank was \$27,379.00.

Mr. Avery stated that the Fiscal Agent is bid every other year, and does not feel that the public should be denied the right to submit a bid for Bossier Parish Fiscal Agent. He expressed concern as to whether the Fiscal Agent can be extended beyond two years.

Ms. Hauser stated that Mr. Jackson, Parish Attorney, has reviewed this request, and that the proposal accepted in 2014 allows for a one-year extension.

Mr. Avery stated that it has been the policy of the police jury to bid the Fiscal Agent every other year. Mr. Skaggs stated that in 2012, the 2010 Census numbers were provided which showed that Bossier Parish had a population of more than 100,000. He stated that the Public Bid Law states that if a parish has a population of more than 100,000 it is required that the Fiscal Agent be bid out every other year.

Mr. Benton stated that transferring accounts every two years is a timely process if there is a change in the Fiscal Agent.

Mr. Cochran recommended that in the future, a two-year extension be considered for the Fiscal Agent.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Cochran, seconded by Mr. Darby, to table authorization of a one year extension for the Fiscal Agent and Depository Bank Contract with First Guaranty Bank as contained in the accepted proposal on April 2, 2014, and to authorize the execution of documents, to be considered at the March 16, 2016, regular meeting.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Brotherton reported on a meeting with Webster Parish, Bienville Parish, and Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries regarding Lake Bistineau. He stated that it is the consensus of the three parishes and Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that a flood stage needs to be determined in order to close Lake Bistineau when it reaches a set flood stage. Mr. Brotherton stated that it is recommended that the flood stage for Lake Bistineau be set at 144 feet which is three feet above pool stage.

Mr. Brotherton stated that the proposed Resolution also creates a "No Wake Zone" on Lake Bistineau when public boat launches are closed during flood stage, which will allow continued boat traffic on the lake.

Motion was made by Mr. Brotherton, seconded by Mr. Benton, to adopt a joint resolution with Bienville Parish and Webster Parish setting and establishing a base standard for determining the Flood Stage of Lake Bistineau at 144 feet and establishing a "No Wake Zone" to all boat traffic on Lake Bistineau when the lake reaches flood stage.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

#### RESOLUTION

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE PARISHES OF BOSSIER, BIENVILLE AND WEBSTER TO SET AND ESTABLISH A BASE STANDARD FOR DETERMINING THE FLOOD STAGE OF LAKE BISTINEAU AT 144 FEET, AND ESTABLISHING A "NO WAKE ZONE" TO ALL BOAT TRAFFIC ON LAKE BISTINEAU WHEN THE LAKE REACHES FLOOD STAGE.

WHEREAS, Lake Bistineau lies within the boundaries of the Parishes of Bossier, Bienville, and Webster; and WHEREAS, the police jury is the governing authority for each of the Parishes of Bossier, Bienville, and Webster, and therefore, have the statutory authority to determine the flood stage of Lake Bistineau upon the advice and direction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, and to regulate boat traffic; and

WHEREAS, a "No Wake Zone" will allow for boat traffic to continue to access allowed areas of Lake Bistineau without damage or danger to property or other boaters.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that when the water levels reach 144 feet, Lake Bistineau is determined to be at Flood Stage and the lake will be a "No Wake Zone" until the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries determines that the lake has receded to a level below 144 feet.

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016.

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY JIM BONSALL, PRESIDENT WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY

# DARRYL RYDER, PRESIDENT BIENVILLE PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Jim Firth, Purchasing Agent, stated that bids were received Tuesday, March 1, 2016, for the Bossier Parish Courthouse South Entry and Alternate East Entry renovation project. He stated that the police jury approved a budget of \$115,000.00 for the project, and that Newman Marchive Carlisle, Inc., provided a cost estimate for the project of \$90,000.00 to \$100,000.00, including a 15 percent contingency.

Mr. Firth stated that the lowest base bid received was \$137,000.00 from Whitlock and Shelton, including Alternate No. 1 at \$15,100.00 and Alternate No. 2 at \$10,500.00. He stated that Newman Marchive Carlisle, Inc., does not recommend awarding Alternate No. 2.

Mr. Firth stated that funds are available in the Capital Improvements Fund in an amount up to \$50,000.00 to complete this project, and recommended that the low bid of Whitlock and Shelton, in the amount of \$137,000.00, including Alternate No. 1 in the amount of \$15,100.00, for a total bid amount of \$152,100.00, be accepted for the Bossier Parish Courthouse South Entry renovation project.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Skaggs, to amend the agenda to award the bid for the Bossier Parish Courthouse South Entry renovation project, in accordance with bids received on March 1, 2016.

The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

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AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Darby, Mr.

Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

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Motion was made by Mr. Shewmake, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to award the bid for the Bossier Parish Courthouse South Entry renovation project, including Alternate No. 1, to Whitlock and Shelton, low bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with bids received on March 1, 2016.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously. Bid results are as follows:

Bidder: Bid Amount: Boggs & Poole Contracting Group, Inc. Base Bid: \$147,300.00 Alt. #1: \$ 27,300.00 Alt. #2 \$ 6,225.00 North LA Construction Base Bid: \$140,357.30 Alt. #1: \$ 23,127.69 Alt. #2 \$ 8,575.56 **Henderson Construction** Base Bid: \$155,485.00 Alt. #1: \$ 6,926.00 Alt. #2: \$ 1,000.00 Whitlock and Shelton Base Bid: \$137,000.00

Alt. #1: \$ 15,100.00 Alt. #2: \$ 10,500.00

Mr. Hammack requested that the Building and Grounds Committee review any future projects wherein the bids exceed the designer's cost estimate prior to any action being taken by the police jury.

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Darby, to amend the agenda to consider approval of Plan Change No. 8 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, and authorize the President to execute documents

The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Darby, Mr.

 $Hammack, Mr.\ Plummer, Mr.\ Rimmer, Mr.\ Shewmake, Mr.\ Skaggs$ 

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

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Mr. Ford presented Plan Change No. 8 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, advising that the plan change provides for 188 additional contract days.

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran, to approve Plan Change No. 8 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, subject to approval by the Office of Facility Planning and Control, and to authorize the President to execute documents.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, that it does hereby approve Plan Change No. 8 on the Consolidated Waterworks/Sewerage District No. 1 of the Parish of Bossier Wastewater Treatment Facility, North Bossier Parish Area, FP&C Project No. 50-J08-06B-02, subject to approval by the Office of Facility Planning and Control.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Wanda Bennett, President, is hereby authorized to execute said Plan Change No. 8.

The resolution was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Cochran. Upon unanimous vote, it was duly adopted on this  $2^{nd}$  day of March, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER

WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

PARISH SECRETARY

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Rimmer, to amend the agenda to consider the acceptance of streets and drainage in St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.

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The President called for public comment. There being none, motion carried, with the following vote recorded:

AYES: Mr. Avery, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Benton, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Cook, Mr. Darby, Mr.

Hammack, Mr. Plummer, Mr. Rimmer, Mr. Shewmake, Mr. Skaggs

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None \*\*\*

Motion was made by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Avery, to accept the streets and drainage in St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, into the parish road system for permanent maintenance.

The President called for public comment. There being none, votes were cast and the motion carried unanimously.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 4598

WHEREAS, the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session convened on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016, has received a request from H&H Contracting Company, Inc., that the parish accept into its system for permanent maintenance, the streets and drainage in St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, Bossier Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the said streets and drainage have been completed in accordance with the specifications of the Bossier Parish Police Jury; and

WHEREAS, a two-year maintenance bond has been executed in favor of the Bossier Parish Police Jury to guarantee against failure of said streets and drainage as to material and workmanship as required by Chapter 110, Section 110-201 of the Bossier Parish Code of Ordinance.

WHEREAS, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bossier Parish Police Jury that it does accept the two-year maintenance bond of H&H Contracting Company, Inc., including labor and materials, for the above captioned streets and drainage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bossier Parish Police Jury does hereby accept into the parish maintenance system for continuous maintenance, streets and drainage located in St. Charles Court Village Subdivision, Unit No. 7, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

Poydras Avenue – 0.074 mile

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this ordinance be recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, together with the maintenance bond.

The Ordinance was offered by Mr. Skaggs, seconded by Mr. Avery. Upon vote, it was duly adopted on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016.

RACHEL D. HAUSER PARISH SECRETARY WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY

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Mr. Ford provided an update on the sewer project. He stated that boring beneath Red Chute Bayou will begin soon for the sewer force main.

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Mr. Ford advised that he recently attended a Transportation Conference in Baton Rouge, and provided a report on the conference. He also reported on a meeting with the Department of Environmental Quality and Facility, Planning and Control regarding project funding.

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Mr. Ford reported that the Parish of Bossier has signed an Option Agreement to purchase four sewer systems from Eagle Water, and has the option to purchase five sewer systems from Eagle Water within three years. He stated that an additional \$10 million may be available to expand the sewer project north.

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Mr. Avery requested an update on drainage improvements at Destrehan Boulevard. Mr. Ford stated that drainage improvements at Destrehan Boulevard will be a complicated project, and a meeting is to be scheduled with the Department of Transportation and Development to present a plan for approval. Mr. Ford is to contact the property owner to discuss this project.

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Mr. Mark Coutee, Public Works Director, presented an update on activities of the highway department and on several road projects in the parish.

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Mr. Benton presented a letter of appreciation from Princeton Elementary School for financial assistance with the purchase of archery equipment for the archery team and an electric sign for the front of the school.

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There being no further business to come before the Bossier Parish Police Jury in regular and legal session on this  $2^{nd}$  day of March, 2016, the meeting was adjourned by the President at 3:20 p.m.

RACHEL D. HAUSER PARISH SECRETARY WANDA BENNETT, PRESIDENT BOSSIER PARISH POLICE JURY